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METHOD FOR REDUCING ACNE OR IMPROVING SKIN TONE

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated June 25, 2003, Applicants respectfully elect, without traverse, the sensory regimen of olfactory stimuli, the anti-acne agent benzoyl peroxide, and the topical administration of the anti-acne composition. The elected species are demonstrated in Example 1, pages 12 - 14 of the specification as originally filed.

Claims 1 - 15 are pending in this case. Claims 16 - 52 have previously been withdrawn. Claims 1 - 4, and 7 - 15 are readable on the elected species. Applicants respectfully request examination of all pending claims.

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A Petition for a one-month extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith. If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 10-0750/JBP-571/EMH. If a fee is required for an Extension of time 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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